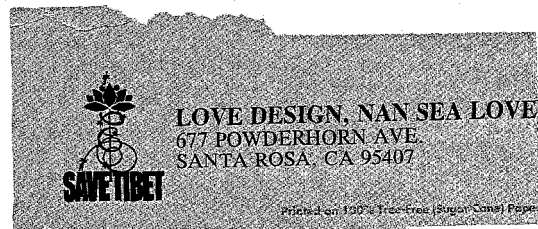


The Honorable John Burton, Chairman
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Dear Mr. Chairman,

We really do have strong feelings that we would like to be represented in the Fish and Game Department. The nomination of Mr. Flores, as a hunter and friend of hunters is just not acceptable to us. As the interests of the state's citizens have changed, hunting has become a pastime and is practiced by only a small minority of Californians. Less than 7% of the population actually hunt, and that the department is dominated by hunters is outrageous. Shouldn't the people be represented somewhat in proportion? As you know, the overwhelming majority of the population enjoy, wildlife and are interesting in viewing them. We want to know that that these animals are not harassed by hunters; that has a real meaning to us all. Our wishes should count, therefore we strongly urge you not to support this nomination of Mr. Flores.

With the overwhelming growth of our Californian population and the tremendous loss of habitat all wildlife populations are dwindling, disappearing, or have already been lost. Hunting is a luxury and a left over of former days. The Fish and Game Dept. should only be concerned about preservation of habitat and the protection of all our wildlife. There is a considerable mistrust by the people about the activities of this department, and nominating yet another hunter in such an important position seems wrong.

It is time that the people have a say in this, and we urge you to reconsider this.

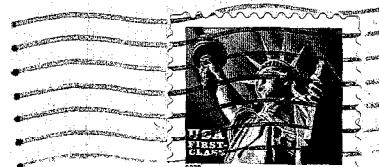
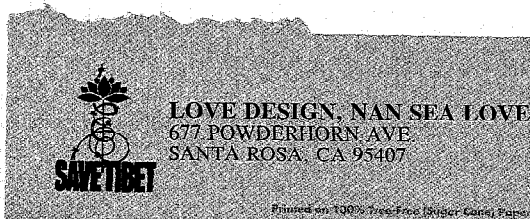
Thank you very much.

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